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In re Application of: HOWLAND, Charles A.

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Request for Continued Examination Transmittal Letter

Applicant is in receipt of the Advisory Action of April 29, 2003, stating its proffered after-final amendments and remarks tendered in correspondence of April 22, 2003 will not be entered. Applicant requests the prior amendments and remarks, previously filed on April 22, 2003, be entered as a preliminary amendment to this Request for Continuing Examination.

Applicant respectfully herein submits:

- 1) Request for Continued Examination PTO/SB/30
- 2) Fonn PTO/SB/17 in the amount of \$580.00, for RCE Filing Fee (small entity) \$375.00; and Extension for response within first month (small entity) \$205.00.

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This RCE is being submitted in good faith and is a bona fide attempt to advance the application pursuant to 37 CFR 1.111.

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DEPOSIT ACCOUNT 500323 AUTHORIZATION - All necessary fees relating to the X attached submittal, if any, are intended to be included. However, the Office is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment in the fees relating to the submittal to deposit account 500323, registered to Vernon C. Maine P.L.L.C., dba Maine & Asmus, contact telephone no. 603-886-6100.

Respectfully submitted,

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